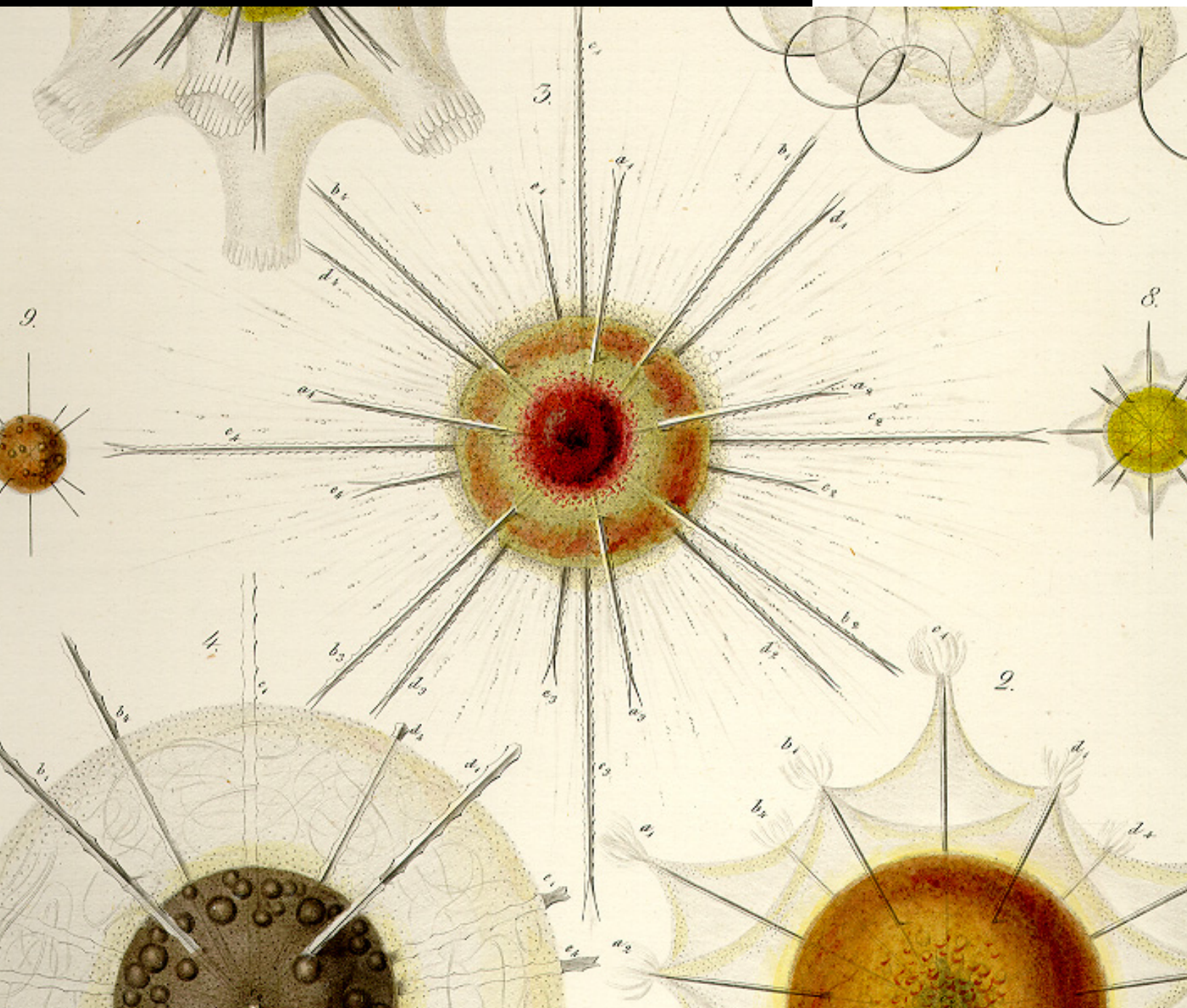


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# Schedule

All events in HQ 136

## 8:30 AM BREAKFAST

## 9 - 10:45 AM POLITICS IN THE LIFE SCIENCES

Chair: Ayah Nurridin, *Princeton University*

**Ben Maldonado**, *Harvard University*

"Underwriting Heredity: Anglo-American Life Insurance and Tubercular Family Histories, 1875 -1925"

**Libby O'Neil**, *Yale University*

"Homeostasis and the Problem of Evil: Moral Thinking about Life Science in the Shadow of WWII"

**Nayanika Ghosh**, *Harvard University*

"A Crisis of Critique: Science for the People and Sociobiology"

**Caroline Wechsler**, *University of Pennsylvania*

"L'enfant terrible of Bar Harbor: Richard Lewontin at the 1968 Bar Harbor Short Course and the Fate of Medical Genetics"

## 10:45 - 11 AM COFFEE BREAK

## 11 AM - 12:30 PM VISUALIZING LIFE

Chair: Lukas Rieppel, *Brown University*

**Oliver Lucier**, *Yale University*

"Lines in the Sand: Classifying Desertification, 1920-1980"

**Anna Guerrero**, *ASU; Woods Hole MBL*

"Placing the 'Organism' in Microorganism: How Cultural Context Shaped Anton van Leeuwenhoek's Seventeenth Century Descriptions of 'Little Animals'"

**Beatrice Steinert** (*Harvard University*), **Advik Beni** (*California Institute of the Arts*), **Beth**

**Ribeiro** (*Independent filmmaker*)

"Sincerely Yours, Ethel Browne Harvey" (short film)

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## 12:30 - 1:30 PM LUNCH

## 1:30 - 3 PM SYSTEMATIZING LIFE

Chair: Nathaniel Comfort, *Johns Hopkins University*

**Norah Woodcock**, *Princeton University*

"Mules and Other Monsters: Hybridity and Heredity in Aristotle's Generation of Animals"

**Wu Qinyan**, *University of Pennsylvania*

"Controlling Systems and Controlling Legacies: Barbara McClintock's 1961 Conversation with Two Bacterial Geneticists"

**Nuala Caomhánach**, *NYU; AMNH*

"The Tree Builders: Setting the Molecular Clock on the Tree of Life, 1960s-1990s"

## 3 - 3:30 PM COFFEE BREAK

## 3:30 - 5 PM THE SCIENCE OF REPRODUCTION

Chair: Adrianna Link, *American Philosophical Society*

**Leigh Alon**, *Johns Hopkins*

"At each menstrual period she was confused, tense, and screaming": A female physician's perspective on schizophrenia in women in 1929-1930"

**Dina Ziganshina**, *Arizona State University*

"Reducing Abortion Rates without Restricting Legal Access to Abortion: Lessons and Evidence from Comparative Analysis of Relevant Policies and Demographic Indicators in 15 Post-Soviet Countries"

**Elsbeth Gow**, *University of Pennsylvania*

"Why Buy the Cow: Marketing Frozen Bull Semen in the US Dairy Cattle Genetics Industry"

## 5 PM RECEPTION

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*In memoriam*  
Garland E. Allen



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